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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

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Examiner:	Hadi AKHAVANNIK	Art Unit:	2621
For:	DEVICES AND METHODS FOR BIOMETRIC AUTHENTICATION		

REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION DATED AUGUST 25, 2005

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This is responsive to the Office action dated August 25, 2005. In view of the following amendments and remarks, reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested. Please amend the application in accordance with the following particulars.

In the Drawings

An amendment to the drawings is appended herewith under the heading REPLACEMENT SHEET.

In the Specification

An amendment to the specification is provided below under the heading AMENDMENT TO THE SPECIFICATION.

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In the Claims

The claims are amended as shown on the following pages under the heading AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS. The list shows the status of all claims presently in the application including any current amendments. This list of claims is intended to supersede all prior versions of the claims in the application. Any cancellation of claims is made without prejudice or disclaimer.